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 Memo No. 541

1. The following items requested in the cited memo are attached in 46 copies each:

- a. European Satellite Towns of Priority Interest (Encl. 1).
- b. List of Priority Towns in the USSR (Encl. 2).
- c. Requirements for Urban Area Information on the Soviet Bloc (Encl. 3).
- d. General criteria for Selection of Areas of Priority Interest in the Soviet Bloc (Encl. 4).
- e. European Satellites: Specific Areas of Current Interest (Encl. 5).
- f. Specific Areas of Current Interest in the USSR ( Encl. 6).

2. Enclosures 5 and 6 ( paras. 1 e and 1 f above) were not requested, but are forwarded for their value in identifying those non-urban areas which are currently of interest to headquarters. Decisions to exploit sources of non-urban information whose knowledge does not extend to areas listed in these enclosures should refer to Enclosure 4.

3. With reference to para. 2 of the Memo. No. 541, the following additional items are attached.

a. Guide to the Collection of Intelligence on Soviet Topographic Maps through Observation and Elicitation (Encl. 7). This item is the basic document behind ID4235.

b. Collection of Topographic Maps of East Germany (Encl. 8). This item has been sent to St/I for submission as an IG.

c. Hungarian Cartography, 1958 (Encl. 9). Thermofax of an article to appear in MR-56 (Geographic Intelligence Review).

d. Map of new triangulation surveys being undertaken by the Soviets (Encl. 10).

e. Probable Organization Chart of GVOX (Encl. 11). It should be noted that this item does not cover Soviet naval hydrographic organizations.

f. Organizational outlines of 4 typical USSR map factories (Encl. 12, four items).

g. The Organization of Soviet Geodesy and Cartography, (ER-8) (Encl. 13).

4. Items similar to that cited in para. 3 b, above, are currently in draft for Poland and Czechoslovakia. It is planned to produce additional IG's of this nature for all European Satellites. We will provide you with advance copies in each case. Interested agencies should also refer to Chapter IX and Section 19 of Chapter I of the NIS on Bloc countries. These portions deal specifically with mapping agencies and programs.

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